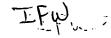
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NEMATIC SCREEN AND METHOD FOR THE DEFINITION OF

SAID DEVICE

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U.S. 6,327,017 corresponds to FR 2,740,894, for which an English language abstract is also provided. In view of the provision of the corresponding U.S. patent and an English language abstract, it is respectfully submitted that the requirement for a concise explanation of the relevance of FR '894 is satisfied.

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